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(SUBJECT.)

Alienation Land. (Sout. Kanara). Mangalore Taluk - Hemmadjee village - Roman Catholic Mission. Church school etc - Construction Extension of time Granted

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South Kanara Collector's Office,

Mangalore, dated 15th March 1921.

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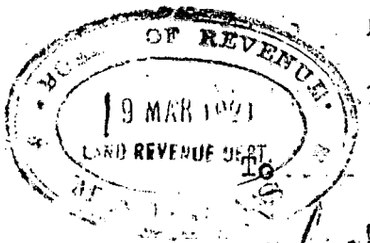

R. H. Ellis, Esq., I.C.S.,

Collector of South Kanara.

To

The Secretary to the Board,

Land Revenue, Madras.

Alienation:-- Extension of time to construct buildings on the land alienated in favour of the Roman Catholic Church of St. Michael at Ammunaje.

In their order No. 3562 Mis. Revenue, dated 31st October 1918, the Government have sanctioned the alienation of 50 and 97 cents of land in Ammunaje village, Mangalore Taluk, for a school and a church respectively in favour of the Vicar for th time being of the Roman Catholic Church of St Michael at --- Ammunaje. One of the conditions of the grant is that the --- church and the school buildings should be constructed and the institutions started within two years from the date of the -- grant i.e. 31st October 1918 It now appears from enquiries -- that neither the school nor the church has been constructed --- though the time allowed has expired and that only a shed has been put up on the land alienated for the school and the school is being held there. The present Vicar of the Church has -- filed a petition (copy enclosed - pp 2-3 c/r) explaining the circumstances under which it was not possible to construct the buildings --- and requests that an extension of two years may be granted.---. For the reasons stated in the petition I recommend that the -- extension applied for may be granted.

Copy of petition dated 25th February 1921, from Rev. F L. M. Pinto, Vicar of St. Michael's Parish, Bellore P.O., --- Buntwal, addressed to the Collector of South Kanara.

(IV)

I beg to state that by Order No. 1509 Mis. of the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated 7th November 1918 and Dis. No.276 R/ Rev. 1918 of your office dated 24th November 1918 two ---- plots of ground in the Amunje and Tenkabellur villages of --- Mangalore Taluk were granted free of assessment for the --- purpose of building a church, school, parochial house, and for a cemetery. One of the conditions laid down in the grant is that "the church and school buildings shall be constructed and the institutions started within two years from the date of the grant."

This grant was obtained by Fr. M. S. Fernandes, Vicar of Mermajal Church. He had constructed a shed for the school --- which was started and recognised. There are at present more than sixty children distributed in four classes under three -- teachers. The ground assigned for the cemetery has been -- utilised for the purpose by the burial of several corpses.

As for raising pukha buildings, many difficulties stood in the way of Father Fernandes. His residence is more than 5 miles distant from this locality and there is no road --- between the two places even for a cycle. He had to minister to the needs of about 3,600 souls scattered over a wide area. Consequently he urged the Bishop of Mangalore to establish a separate parish at Bellore, with a resident Priest in order that the new Vicar may devote himself to the work of constructing the necessary buildings. Therefore I was appointed Vicar on 16th May 1920.

Since my appointment I have considerably enlarged and improved the school building, levelled the ground for the --

church site and I am now building the parochial house, as the first requisite for my stay on the spot. In the meantime I am residing in a private house, close to the locality and conducting all the parochial functions in the school-building --- just as they are carried out in other churches.

I am sorry owing to the initial difficulties I could not do more after taking charge. I was quite new to the place --- and to the people, there were no funds ready, and no quarry -- close by. Now that I have set to work earnestly I hope to -- turn out substantial work before long. But as the task of -- building a church, parochial house with out-houses and a school, is not a small one and cannot be accomplished in a short time, I pray that the time fixed by the Board may be extended to at-least two years more.

I believe that in fixing a time limit the intention of the Board must have been, that the ground should not be --- allowed to remain unused or utilised for other purposes than those for which it was intended. There cannot be any such fear in the present case because the new parish having been established, the raising of the buildings becomes a necessity -- which cannot be dispensed with or put off considerably in the interests of the parish.

I, therefore, trust you will consider my petition favourably and pass orders thereon, for which act of kindness ---- my parishioners and myself shall ever be grateful to you.

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